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ABSTRACT:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To obtain an active oxygen eliminating agent or a skin beautifying cosmetic composition from new and safe plants.

SOLUTION: This active oxygen eliminating agent or skin beautifying cosmetic composition comprises one or more kinds of plant extracts selected from among extracts of plant parts of *Haematoxylon campechianum* L., *Lindera strychnifolia* (Sieb.et Zucc.)F. Vill., *Arctostaphylos uva-ursi* (L). Spreng., *Lycium chinense* Mill., *Perilla frutescens* Britton var. *acuta* Kudo, *Rubus suavissimus* S.Lee, *Nelumbo nucifera* Gaertner and *Lavandula vera* D.C. The agent has excellent active oxygen eliminating action and further can improve a roughened skin and impart gloss and tenseness to the skin. Furthermore, the agent can be also utilized for general foods and beverages.

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